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FRIDAY, JANUARY 30, 1903.

Republican State Convention.

The State Convention of the Republicans of Michigan is hereby called to meet at the Light Guard Armory in the city of Detroit, on Friday, March 14th, 1903, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon for the purpose of nominating candidates for Justice of the Supreme Court and Regents of the University and transacting such other business as may properly come before the convention. Gratias county is entitled to 15 delegates. GRANT J. DILLON, Chairman.
DENNIS E. ALWARD, Secretary.

Republicans County Convention.

A Republican county convention for the county of Gratiot is hereby called to meet in the court-house, on the village of Ithaca, on Tuesday, March 3rd, 1903, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon for the purpose of nominating a candidate for county commissioner of schools, and for the election of fifteen delegates to represent the county in the state convention, called to meet in Detroit, on Friday, March 14th, 1903, and for the transaction of such other business as may come before the convention. The several townships and wards will be entitled to representatives in said county convention by delegates as follows:

Acadia.....10	North Star.....5
Albany.....10	One River.....4
Alma.....10	Seville.....4
Alpena.....10	Springer.....4
Bay Mills.....10	Washington.....5
Beaumont.....10	Whisper.....9
Bellevue.....10	St. Louis (large).....1
Black River.....10	1st Ward.....2
Boonville.....10	2nd Ward.....2
Bygonia.....10	3rd Ward.....2
Carleton Place.....10	4th Ward.....2
Chapin.....10	
Clare.....10	
Claremont.....10	
Clatsop.....10	
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By order of Republican County Committee,
A. H. DARRAGH, Chairman.
Dated January 21, 1903.

AS USUAL hundreds of freak bills are being introduced in the legislature.

TWO HUNDRED and thirty-five private pension bills were passed in the house Friday.

JOHN D. LONG, ex-secretary of the Navy, is critically ill in a sanitarium in Boston.

SENATOR BURROWS presented the credentials of Senator Alger Monday and the oath of office was administered to him.

GOV. BLISS proposed to stick to his promise to Chase S. Osborn and has appointed Chas. H. Chapman, of the Soo, state game warden.

THE agricultural appropriation bill, which passed the house Saturday, increased the appropriation for free seed from \$270,000 to \$300,000.

O. B. LANE of Hillsdale, is after the house-selling druggists and has introduced a bill making them answerable to the same law as the saloon men.

A BILL is being prepared at Lansing to provide for the erection of a governor's residence in that city. Gov. Bliss strongly recommended the measure in his message to the legislature.

CONGRESSMAN LESSLER claims to have been threatened with political ruin if he refused to vote for the Holland submarine bill. He said he was approached by one Doblin with a bribe of \$5,000.

IT WILL be a terrible blow to the "J" boys to be obliged to close their dance at 2 a. m., but the "powers that be" say that if it is not done the Junior's annual ball at the U. of M. will soon be a thing of the past.

GOVERNOR BLISS has discontinued his practice of getting up in the middle of the night to sign bills, and will hereafter thoroughly investigate and find out if the people want them before he signs his name.

THE Colombian-Panama canal treaty has been sent to the senate for ratification. It is officially announced that the rental provided for in the treaty is \$250,000, the Colombian government retaining possession of the land.

THE new military measure providing for state militia encampments with the regular army was passed recently by Congress. Michigan's militia will this year camp with regular soldiers and the Lansing authorities have decided that Fort Riley, Kansas, is the best place.

THE council has rejected the claim of Dr. J. F. Suydam and it is probable that a suit will be started to compel the payment. It is the best plan in some cases to settle these claims, and in others it is not, therefore it remains to be seen how wisely our village dads have acted in this case.

IN REFUSING to make a choice of driver for the fire department team, the four councilmen present acted with discretion. They are sure to be censured, no matter who the man may be that is selected, and all of the members should be present when the choice is made in order that they may receive their share of the public disapproval.

SENATOR BURROWS has been advised by the navy department that residents of Michigan desiring to enter the navy as civil engineers can take an examination either in Chicago or New York on February 23. They must be between 27 and 35 years of age. The position pays \$2,700 for the first five years.

The Alma Record for '03 is a Winner.

CURRENT TOPICS OF THE DAY.

LADRONES still keeps busy in the Philippines. Three Americans were boloted this week.

THE Cuban House of Representatives has appropriated \$300,000 to build a new capital at Havana.

THE car barns of the Bay City street car company were totally destroyed by fire Wednesday night.

ROSCOE W. BROUGHTON, of Paw Paw, has been elected grand master of the Grand Lodge of Masons.

FIVE hundred dollars was paid for a strip of land 3 inches wide and 120 feet long in Minneapolis the other day.

FAILURES for the week number 265 in the United States against 391 last year, and 27 in Canada compared with 28 a year ago.

ED GEERS, the silent driver, who is wintering in Memphis, will have fifty-three trotters and pacers in his string on the Grand Circuit this summer.

WHILE fencing with Gen. Wood a few days ago President Roosevelt's right hand came in contact with the general's sword, causing the fracture of a small bone.

J. P. MORGAN & Co. drew a check recently, payable to the order of a New York firm, for \$23,500,000. This is said to be the largest check ever passing through the clearing house of that city.

ABOUT a ton of giant powder exploded at the Marquette powder works Tuesday morning, causing heavy damages, but fortunately not a single person was injured. The shock was felt ten miles away.

AN APALLING wreck occurred on the New Jersey Central railroad near Westfield, N. J., Wednesday, killing 21 persons and injuring many, who may die. The Royal Blue express plunged into the rear end of a local train.

THE thousands of old veterans who "fought mid Siegel" will be pleased to learn that congress has at last recognized the many gallant deeds performed by the old general by granting his widow a pension of \$100 per month.

THE Grand Rapids Times says the epidemic of smallpox now raging in that city started in Johnson's scab cigar shop. The unsanitary condition of many of these scab shops, where child labor is principally employed, should at all times be rigidly watched over by the health officers. Blue label cigars are always pure and made by skilled laborers.

A UNIQUE way of settling a debt occurred at Negaunee recently. A widow of that place was presented with a bill of \$900 by his housekeeper for services rendered and not being prepared to pay it he proposed marriage, which was accepted. The bride thinks her husband is worth \$900, and the groom is happy because his debt is cancelled.

THOMAS W. PALMER, of Detroit, ex-senator from Michigan, minister to Spain, president of the World's Fair and a leader of statesmen, hale and hearty as a man of 40, celebrated his 73d birthday at his beautiful country home at Palmer Park Sunday. To a few of his most intimate friends, who had gathered there, as is the custom of his, to celebrate each year, he said in part: "Looking ahead to when this generation shall reach the age of 73 I can see the government ownership of coal mines, all public valuable deposits on which life largely depends, of oil and gas fields, and operation of railways and all public utilities. What is socialism of which people appear to have great fear? It is simply the betterment of the people. There is going to be no overturning of society. For nothing. So gradual are these changes that when socialism does arrive in part or in whole, it will have come so gradually that it matters nothing to you or me."

A FEW PRESS NOTES.

Mrs. Marie C. Horst had not before appeared in a local concert and her reception last night demonstrated that already she is recognized as a talented soprano and favorite. She rendered several numbers which displayed her fine, sweet voice to charming advantage and the enthusiastic applause showed the highest appreciation.—Grand Rapids Press.

Mr. Kinsey, who possesses a beautiful bass voice was heard last night in several selections at the opera house. That he pleased his audience was evident by the repeated encores.—Oiney, Ill.

With the Horst Concert Co. at the opera house next Thursday night. Seats on sale at Sharrar & Mulholland's. Prices, 25 and 35 cents.

NOTICE.
My wife, Anna May Merchant, having left my bed and board without just cause or provocation, I hereby forbid anyone from trusting or harboring her on my account, as I will not pay any bills contracted by her after this date.
SAMUEL MERCHANT.
Alma, Mich., January 22, 1903.

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Alma College

The January Almanac came out Wednesday.

R. Howard re-entered the commercial department this week.

Lewis Hewitt, commercial, is back in school after a week's absence.

The Seniors gave Hugh Ronald a surprise at his home Friday night.

The dreaded examinations will begin Monday morning and continue through the week.

Chas. D. Hurrey, the Y. M. C. A. college secretary, was a pleasant visitor Wednesday.

New students are dropping in every week. Quite a number are expected at the opening of the second semester.

The classical club will hold its first meeting of the year at the home of Prof. J. T. Ewing next Friday evening, Feb. 7.

The Juniors will "apout" in the chapel tonight beginning at eight o'clock. Everybody is invited to come and hear the eloquence flow.

The Bay City Y. M. C. A. basketball team will play the college team in the gymnasium at 2:30 tomorrow afternoon.

General admission 25 cents, high school students 15 cents.

The day of prayer for colleges was observed yesterday. Rev. Louis Brooke, '96, of the Presbyterian church of Howell preached a fine discourse on "Faith" in the morning, and in the evening representatives of the student body and faculty attended the various church prayer meetings of the town.

The Science club will meet in the Kindergarten room on Saturday evening, Jan. 31, at eight o'clock. The program for the evening is as follows: Roll Call, to be responded to with quotations from Darwin; "Habits of Art Lions," Mr. Cooper; "Some Specimens from the Winchell Collection," Dr. Harper; "Mosquitoes and Malaria," Mr. Cooley; "An Unfrequented Michigan Cave," Prof. West; "The St. Louis Chemical Plant," Mr. Fuller.

THEY WERE CUSTOMED AS IN COLONIAL DAYS.

A Number of Ladies were Entertained Thursday at Tea.

Mrs. M. A. Holmes and Mrs. H. G. Palfrey, on Thursday evening, January 22nd, gave a very interesting and entertaining party at the home of Mrs. Palfrey, to about thirty-five of the Alma people. Each lady was given a character of the colonial times, who acted and dressed the part to perfection.

At 6:30 o'clock a colonial tea was served.

The house was handsomely decorated throughout and lighted entirely by candles. The two Dinah's who received, did their part in a very clever way.

At nine o'clock the guests were invited to the Alma sanitarium where a delightful dance was held in the gymnasium, after which, Mr. Siedler took a flash-light picture of the characters.

Following is the list of ladies and characters:

Mrs. M. A. Holmes, as Martha Washington; Mrs. H. G. Palfrey, Columbia; Mrs. A. J. Hall, Queen Elizabeth; Mrs. Ed. Hannah, Queen Isabel; Mrs. Wm. Hannah, Anna Dustin; Mrs. Wm. Kelly, Peasant Girl; Mrs. A. E. Mulholland, Mrs. John Winthrop; Mrs. Hill, Indian; Mrs. G. W. Moore, Indian; Miss Evans, Pocahontas; Mrs. W. C. Villet, Mary Stark; Mrs. R. Hyde, Mrs. Jas. Edward Winthrop; Miss Laura Button, Priscilla; Mrs. T. E. Pringle, Evangeline; Miss Ivah Palfrey, Nan; Miss Grace Palfrey, Gov. Yearley's wife; Miss Mabel Howard, Quaker; Miss Bertha Stevens, Spanish Girl; Mrs. Ely Brewbaker, Colonial Dame; Mrs. Geo. Sharrar, Mrs. John Winthrop; Mrs. B. O. Button, Dinah; Mrs. E. T. Lamb, Dinah; Miss Rosa Messinger, Merchant's wife; Miss Sadie Messinger, Colonial Irish wife; Miss Edna Schwarz, Puritan Girl; Miss Edna Bear, Eliza Lucas; Miss Bertha McLaren, Spiritualist; Miss Ariadne McLaren, The Witch of Salem; Miss Essie Hooper, Wm. Penn's wife.

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NO. 6. For sale, farm near Carson City, 121 acres, farm house and barn, can be made a very nice and homelike place. Price, \$30 per acre.

NO. 7. For sale, brick store and lot in the village of Middleton, good property at a bargain.

NO. 8. 45 acres of land, 1 mile from Alma, terms to suit purchaser.

NO. 11. Is a good frame house and barn in Alma. Price, \$1000, terms very easy.

NO. 12. Is a farm, five miles from Alma, 80 acres, 55 under cultivation, good barn. Price, \$30 per acre, terms to suit purchaser.

NO. 16. For sale, first class 80 acre farm, good buildings, 2 orchards in one of the finest farming countries in Gratiot.

NO. 18. Good Frame Store building in the village of Shepherd, will trade for farm property or property in Alma.

NO. 24. For sale or exchange for other property, 20 acres of land near a good town and 2 lots in the town on which are good house, good barn and other buildings.

NO. 21. 40 acres, good house, barn and other buildings, good well, etc. A bargain. Price, \$1800.

NO. 27. 170 acres of land in Newark, mostly improved. 20 acres of timber. Price, \$25 per acre.

NO. 22. House and lot in Alma; new house. Price, \$1000.

NO. 23. House and lot in Alma; good house, good location. Price, \$900.

NO. 20. 20 acres of land near Alma, good buildings, well, etc. Terms to suit purchaser.

NO. 25. Farm 5 miles from Alma. 80 acres, \$40 per acre. House, barn and other improvements.

NO. 10. For sale, a good house and barn, Alma, including one-half acre of land. Price, \$1000.

NO. 26. For sale, 40 acres of land in Midland Co. Good land; price, \$400.

NO. 28. Good 7 room house, 2 lots, flowing well, small fruits, etc. Price, \$750.

NO. 9. Fine 2 story house, well furnished, etc. Terms and prices right.

NO. 29. Farm of 80 acres; price, \$1500. Will sell or exchange for other property.

NO. 30. 40 acres of land; 37 acres improved. Good frame house, orchard, etc. \$1600.

All property listed with me, advertised in this column free. Other property for sale.

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WANTED:—A man with family to work on farm. Address WM. SLOAN, R. F. D. No. 2, Alma, Mich. 1217

PROBATE NOTICE: State of Michigan, County of Gratiot, ss: Notice is hereby given that the final account of Heester A. K. for the administration of the estate of LEVI KEEFER, late of Gratiot County, Michigan, deceased, will be allowed by me at the Probate office, in the Village of Ithaca, in said county, on Tuesday, the 17th day of February next, at 10 o'clock a. m. in said said Isaac S. Seaver, Judge of Probate. Dated Ithaca, Jan. 25, A. D. 1903. 1213

NOTICE OF SALE OF REAL ESTATE:—In the matter of the estate of James L. Schultze, deceased. Notice is hereby given that in pursuance of an order granted to the undersigned, administrator of the estate of said James L. Schultze, deceased, by the Hon. Judge of Probate for the County of Gratiot, State of Michigan, on the 26th day of December, A. D. 1902, there will be sold at public vendue, to the highest bidder, at the premises in Section 16, in the township of Gratiot, in said State, on Tuesday the 17th day of February, A. D. 1903, at ten o'clock in the forenoon of that day, subject to all claims known by mortgage or otherwise existing at the time of the death of said deceased, or at the time of sale, and also subject to the right of dower and the homestead rights of the widow of said deceased therein, the following described real estate, to-wit:

The south east quarter (1/4) of south east quarter (1/4) of section eleven (11) town twelve (12) north of range four (4) west, and the north half (1/2) of southeast quarter (1/4) of section eleven (11) town twelve (12) north of range four (4) west, except six acres out of the north east corner of said description all in Seville township, Gratiot county, Michigan.

Terms of sale made known on day of sale. WILLIAM T. PITT, administrator of the estate of James L. Schultze, deceased. Dated at Ithaca, Mich., Dec. 30th, 1902. 1217-1218

MORTGAGE SALE:—Whereas, default has been made in the payment of the money secured by a mortgage dated the fourteenth day of July, A. D. 1891, executed by John B. Hulbert and Belle D. Hulbert his wife, of Alma, County of Gratiot, State of Michigan, to Edna Campbell of Gratiot County, Michigan, in full of the mortgage, which said mortgage was recorded in the office of register of deeds of the county of Gratiot, State of Michigan, in Liber 64 of mortgages, on page 47, on the 28th day of July, A. D. 1891, at 10 o'clock a. m. and whereas, said mortgage has been duly assigned by the said Edna Campbell to the highest bidder, at the office of register of deeds of the county of Gratiot, on the 7th day of March, 1903, at 11 o'clock a. m., in Liber 93 of mortgages, on page 228, and whereas, the amount claimed to be due on said mortgage at the date of this sale, is the sum of one hundred and thirty-four dollars (\$134) of principal and interest, which is the whole amount claimed to be unpaid on said mortgage, and no suit or proceeding having been instituted at law to recover the debt now remaining secured by said mortgage, or any part thereof, whereby the power of sale contained in said mortgage has become operative.

Now, therefore, notice is hereby given, that by virtue of said power of sale, and in pursuance of the statute in such case made and provided, the said mortgage will be foreclosed by sale of the premises therein described, at public auction, to the highest bidder, at the front door of the court house in the Village of Ithaca, in said county of Gratiot, on the seventh day of March next, which said premises are described in said mortgage as follows, to-wit:

Lot 10 in Block 2, in the Village of Ithaca, in said County of Gratiot, State of Michigan, according to the recorded plat thereof in the register's office in the Village of Ithaca, Michigan.

Dated Dec. 12, 1902. 1213-1214
FRANCIS PALMER, Attorney.

The Surprise Store

A few of the many bargains at the

paper needles, 1c
3 pens, 1c
2 doz hair pins, 1c
2 pencil sharp-
ners, 1c
2 white pencils, 1c
2 rubber eraser, 1c
tin cup, 1c
shoe black, 1c
bottle ink, 1c
kitchen fork, 1c
pocket comb, 1c
2 boxes tooth
picks, 1c

8 papers pins, 1c
2 spoon thread, 1c
good comb, 1c
1 doz sheets,
tissue paper 5c
paper napkins
100 for 1c
hair brush, 1c
shoe brush, 1c
good hammer, 1c
ladles hose, 1c
men's socks, 1c
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PROBATE NOTICE:—State of Michigan, County of Gratiot, ss: Notice is hereby given that by an order of the Probate Court for the County of Gratiot, made on Wednesday the 18th day of December, A. D. 1902, six months from that date were allowed for creditors to present their claims against the estate of John W. Wilson, late of said county, deceased, and that all creditors of said deceased are required to present their claims to said Probate Court, at the Probate office in the Village of Ithaca, for examination and allowance, on or before the 15th day of June next, and that such claims will be heard before said Court on Wednesday the 15th day of March next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon of each of those days.

Dated Ithaca, January 7th, A. D. 1903.
ISAAC S. SEAVER, Judge of Probate. (Seal.) 1214-1215

ORDER OF HEARING: State of Michigan, County of Gratiot, ss: At a session of the Probate Court for said County, held at the Probate Office, in the Village of Ithaca, on the 15th day of January, in the year one thousand nine hundred and three.

Present, Isaac S. Seaver, Judge of Probate. In the matter of the estate of James Wallace Clark, deceased.

On reading and filing the petition, duly verified, of Lucy Clark, widow of said deceased, also executed and sworn to, and a copy of said petition, and the heirs-at-law of said deceased, are required to present their claims to said Probate Court, at the Probate office in the Village of Ithaca, for examination and allowance, on or before the 15th day of June next, and that such claims will be heard before said Court on Wednesday the 15th day of March next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon of each of those days.

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